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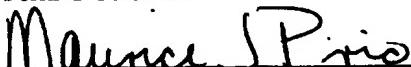
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

On March 25, 2003, a Notice of Allowance was mailed in this application that included an Examiner's Statement of Reason for Allowance. The Examiner states that a "shopping cart is a program" and an "electronic commerce context is similarly interpreted as a program having information." Applicants respectfully submit that a shopping cart and an electronic commerce context are more properly characterized as a collection of information, rather than a program.

Respectfully submitted,
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